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SUBJECT: CHADIAN COUP: BIOGRAPHIC INFO ON MEMBERS OF SUPREME
MILITARY COUNCIL

REF: N'DJAMENA 875 (NOTAL)

1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THE NINE MEMBERS OF NEW
CHADIAN SUPREME MILITARY COUNCIL NAMED APRIL 16, FOLLOWING COUP
D'ETAT APRIL 13. ALTHOUGH NOT PRESENTLY OFFICIAL COUNCIL MEMBER,
INFORMATION ALSO PROVIDED ON RETIRED GEN. NGUENABAYE NGARO, EX-
JACQUES DOUMRO.

2. PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL--BRIG. GEN. FELIX MALLOUM (SURNAME
MALLOUM), BORN SEPT. 10, 1932, SARH, M'BAYE TRIBE, RELIGION UNKNOWN,
MARRIED, TRAINED FRENCH MILITARY SCHOOLS, ENTERED FRENCH ARMY
1951, COMMISSIONED 2ND LT. 1959, MADE CINC CHADIAN ARMED
FORCES 1972, PROMOTED BRIG. GEN. JAN. 1973, ARRESTED JUNE 1973
ALLEGEDLY FOR INVOLVEMENT IN ABORTED COUP D'ETAT ATTEMPT, RELEASED
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BY APRIL 13 COUP. COMMENT: PRESENTLY, VERY PHYSICALLY AND

MENTALLY TIRED BECAUSE OF RECENT IMPRISONMENT. PRIOR TO BEING JAILED, WAS CONSIDERED RESERVED, POLISHED, AND MORE SOPHISTICATED THAN PREDECESSOR, DOUMRO. NO KNOWN ANTI-AMERICAN SENTIMENTS.

3. VICE PRESIDENT--COL. MAMARI DJIME NGA KINAR (SURNAME DJIME), BORN MARCH 13, 1934, SARH, SARA KABA TRIBE, CATHOLIC, MARRIED, TRAINED FRENCH MILITARY SCHOOLS, ENTERED FRENCH ARMY 1952, COMMISSIONED 2ND LT. 1960, COMDR. GENDARMERIE CO. N'DJAMENA 1965, DEP. COMDR. NATIONAL GENDARMERIE 1967, COMDR. AUG. 1971, APPOINTED COL. JAN. 1, 1975. COMMENT: HIGH STRUNG, OUTSPOKEN, PRO-FRENCH, NO KNOWN COMMUNIST SENTIMENTS.

4. MEMBER --GRIG. GEN. MILAREW ODINGAR MBAILAO (SURNAME ODINGAR), BORN 1932, DOBA, LOGONE ORIENTAL, DOBA TRIBE, PROTESTANT, MARRIED, TRAINED FRENCH MILITARY SCHOOLS, ENTERED FRENCH ARMY 1951, COMMISSIONED 2ND LT. 1958, MADE CHIEF PRESIDENT'S MILITARY CABINET 1968, ASSIGNED FRENCH WAR COLLEGE 1970, BECAME ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF 1972, PROMOTED BRIG. GEN. JAN. 1973, APPOINTED CINC CHADIAN ARMED FORCES, MARCH 1974.

COMMENT: DOES NOT PROJECT MILITARY BEARING IN DAILY ROUTINE. CONSIDERED SOLDIER'S SOLDIER BY SUBORDINATES.

5. MEMBER-BRIG. GEN. NEGUE DJOGO (SURNAME DJOGO), BORN FEB. 1, 1932, SARH, SARA KABA TRIBE, NOMINAL CATHOLIC, MARRIED, TRAINED FRENCH MILITARY SCHOOLS, ENTERED FRENCH ARMY 1951, COMMISSIONED 2ND LT. 1958, CHIEF BUREAU OF ORGANIZATION CHADIAN ARMY GEN. STAFF 1962, ASSIST. ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF 1964, DISCIPLINARY RETIREMENT 1965, REINSTATED ARMY AS PREFECT/MIL. COMDR. PREFECTURES BET 1966, PROMOTED COL. 1969, CHIEF MIL. CABINET MINISTRY OF DEFENSE 1970, APPOINTED CHIEF OF PRESIDENT'S MILITARY CABINET 1972, PROMOTED BRIG. GEN. JAN. 1974. COMMENT: NO KNOWN ANTI-US OR PRO-COMMUNIST FEELINGS. CONSIDERED HIGHLY COMPETENT CHADIAN MILITARY OFFICER, BUT HAS BEEN DRINKING HEAVILY LAST SEVERAL MONTHS AND NEGLECTING DUTIES. CHARACTERIZED BY FRENCH AMB. 4/15 AS "PLAYBOY".

6. MEMBER--MAJOR KAMOUGUE ABDEL KADAR (SURNAME KAMOUGUE), BORN MAY 20, 1939, BITAM, GABON, NON-PRACTICING CATHOLIC, MARRIED, TRAINED FRENCH MILITARY SCHOOLS, COMMISSIONED 2ND LT. CONFIDENTIAL

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OCT. 1, 1964, PROMOTED TO MAJOR APRIL 1, 1973; NAMED G-3 (OPERATIONS) CHADIAN ARMED FORCES HIGH COMMAND IN MAY 1973. COMMENT: VISITED USA IN 1972 FOR POSSIBILITY OF HELICOPTER PURCHASES. NOT COMMITTED ON POLICIES OF US. FEELS HIS INTEREST IS IN CHAD. CHARACTERIZED BY FRENCH AMB 4/15 AS AMONG BEST TRAINED OF CHADIAN MILITARY, INTELLIGENT AND EFFECTIVE. MAJOR KAMOUGUE IS GENDARMERIE OFFICER.

7. MEMBER--CAPTAIN ROASNGAR MBAIDOU-LOUMAL (EX ANDRE SERVICE), (SURNAME ROASNGAR), BORN 1942, MOUYDAR, TANDJILE, TRIBE UNKNOWN, MARRIED, TRAINED FRENCH MILITARY SCHOOLS, COMMISSIONED 2ND LT. OCTOBER 1965, PROMOTED CAPTAIN JAN 1, 1972, APPOINTED G-2 OF CHADIAN HIGH COMMAND MARCH 1, 1974. COMMENT: NATURAL LEADERSHIP TENDENCY, HAS ALWAYS PRAISED US, ESPECIALLY SPACE ACCOMPLISHMENTS. HE IS A DECLARED ANTI-COMMUNIST.

8. MEMBER--CAPTAIN ZAKARIA WAWA DAHAB (SURNAME ZAKARIA), BORN SEPTEMBER 1944, ATI, BATHA, METIS, NOMINAL MOSLEM, BACHELOR, TRAINED IN FRENCH PARACHUTE AND FLYING SCHOOLS, COMMISSIONED 1968, PROMOTED CAPTAIN JAN. 1973, APPOINTED ASST. OPERATIONS OFFICER AT CHADIAN ESCADRILLE IN MARCH 1974. COMMENT: PRO-WEST, PLEASED WITH US POLICY, LIKES AMERICANS, WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE US AID TO CHAD AND WANTS TO VISIT US.

9. MEMBER --LT. MAHAMOUD ABDERAMAN (SURNAME MAHAMOUD), BORN 1947, IRIBA, BILTINE PREFECTURE, ZAGAWA TRIBE, MOSLEM, MARRIED, TRAINED FRENCH AND CHADIAN MILITARY SCHOOLS, ENTERED FRENCH ARMY 1966, COMMISSIONED 2ND LT. OCT. 1972 APPOINTED ASSISTANT TO GEN. DJOGO AT PRESIDENT'S MIL. CABINET JULY 1973, PROMOTED LT. OCT. 1974.

10. MEMBER--LT. GOUARA LASSOU (SURNAME LT. GOUARA), BORN 1948, TORROCK, MAYO-KEBI PREFECTURE NEAR PALA, MOUNDENG TRIBE, PROTESTANT, TRAINED IVORY COAST AND CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC MILITARY SCHOOLS, ENTERED CHADIAN ARMY OCT. 1967, COMMISSIONED 2ND LT. OCT. 1970, PROMOTED LT. OCT. 1972, COMDR. 3RD PARACHUTE CO. SARH 1974. COMMENT: CONSIDERED BY FRENCH TO BE WELL QUALIFIED YOUNG OFFICER.

1. FORMER BRIG. GEN. NGUENABAYE NGARO (EX JACQUES
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DOUMRO) (SURNAME NGUENABAYE), MAY BE NAMED NEW ARMED FORCES COMMANDER. HE WAS BORN ABOUT 1919, SARH, SARA KABA TRIBE, RELIGION UNKNOWN, MARRIED, TRAINED FRENCH MILITARY SCHOOLS, ENTERED FRENCH ARMY 1938, COMMISSIONED 2ND LT. 1955, BECAME FIRST NATIVE CHIEF OF STAFF ARMY AND CHADIAN ARMED FORCES 1964, PROMOTED COL. 1965, RELIEVED AS CHIEF OF STAFF OF ARMY JAN. 1966, BUT RETAINED POSITION CHIEF OF STAFF ARMED FORCES, PROMOTED BRIG. GEN. SEPT. 1968, RETIRED BY TOMBALBAYE AS CHIEF OF STAFF ARMED FORCES DEC. 1971 FOLLOWING FAILURE TO CLEAR PROMISES OF PAY RAISES WITH TOMBALBAYE AND PRESIDENT'S DISSATISFACTION WITH HIS EFFORTS TO CONTROL STUDENT RIOTING DEC. 1971, IN RETIREMENT IN HOME VILLAGE WHEN HE OFFERED SERVICES TO NEW REGIME. HE IS NOW IN N'DJAMENA.
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